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Title: Need to evolve proper mechanism to provide relief to the coconut growers in Kerala distressed due to adverse market situations.

DR. K.S. MANOJ (ALLEPPEY): Alappuzha is a coastal district with a stretch of 92 km of straight highway extending from Aroor to Oachira. Alappuzha is emerging as a tourism destination as it is famous for backwater tourism. This place is also known as the cradle of coir industry and hence declared by the Ministry of Commerce as the "Town of Export Excellence" for coir industry. Aroor is famous for marine exports and more than 80% of the seafood export from Kerala is from this place. Aroor is also declared as the" Town of Export Excellence" from marine products. There are only limited connectivity to this coastal district to the high ranges of Kerala. Hence a road from N.H-47 at Thuravoor connecting to Main Central (M.C Road) Road via Thycauttusserry and Makkekadavu-Neeraekadavu is economically very important and this can be connected both to N.H-49 as well as to N.H-220. This can perform as a link road from the coast to the High ranges. Hence, I request the Hon'ble Minister of Road Transport and Highways to consider this under Central Road Funds to the state of Kerala.